



## Voice Grant For Hospital

A grant of approximately \$250,000 for a three year study has been received by the Hospital of St. Louis from the United States Office of Education for research and training in voice disorders in school age children. Announcement of the grant was made by Executive Director, David A. Gee.

This marks the first time that funds have been allocated for a study of this type. The purpose of the grant is to establish the effects of voice defects on education.

Voice disorders in children can result in education disruption or retardation. However, the extent to which these disorders cause educational handicaps has never been systematically studied before. Director of the program is Frank B. Wilson, Ph.D., head of Speech Pathology here.

According to Dr. Wilson, little information has been accumulated to date which contributes to the understanding of voice disorders, and their effects on the social-psychological behavior patterns in the child. "Adequate understanding of the bases of voice disorders and their remedy can come about only through a thorough multidisciplinary research study."

The first phase of the program will involve the training of speech clinicians and speech students in the St. Louis area. A series of six lectures will be held by resident and visiting lecturers to establish a set of criteria for the identification and classification of children with voice disorders, particularly the nature and severity of voice deviations. School clinicians and psychologists will be trained in the application of the criteria so that during the course of their work they can identify and classify children with voice deviations significantly great to be considered disorders.

### School Survey

The school systems in greater St. Louis including the Special School District and East St. Louis will be part of a systematic survey in which children from the ages of 5 through 20 will be evaluated. Approximately 275,000 school children will be screened. Dr. Wilson estimated that there are 2,500 children in the St. Louis area with voice disorders.

The children with disorders will be referred to Jewish Hospital, without charge, for further evaluation and testing of the disorder. Where medical treatment is indicated for correction of the problem, the child will be referred to his private physician.

The 1966 Jewish Federation Campaign at the Hospital has exceeded its goal of \$8,500, with a total collection of \$9,300 as this "216" goes to press.



## Mrs. Milton Creates Fund

A gift of \$10,000 has been received by Jewish Hospital from Mrs. Harry E. Milton, a member of the Board of Directors. Announcement of this unrestricted endowment fund was made by board president, Joseph F. Ruwitch at a directors meeting. The grant will be known as the Harry and Minna Milton Unrestricted Fund.

Mrs. Milton said the gift was made in recognition of the Hospital's growing need for unrestricted funds to aid in the expansion of research, education, and patient care activities.

"I believe that any contribution to a hospital is one of the most realistic ways in which a person can benefit the entire community," Mrs. Milton commented.

In 1952 Mrs. Milton helped organize the Jewish Hospital Auxiliary, which today has 3000 members, the largest in the state. She served as the Auxiliary's president from 1955 to 1957. In 1958 she was appointed chairman of the Committee on Hospital Auxiliaries of the Missouri Hospital Association. From 1961-63, she was chairman of the American Hospital Association Council on Auxiliaries.

She was a *Globe-Democrat* "Woman of Achievement" in 1961.

Her husband, Harry E. Milton, is currently president of Milton-Savex Oil Company.

## Hospital Plans for Medicare

In six weeks, Medicare legislation goes into effect. Many questions have been raised concerning the program; many problems are as yet unsolved.

Just how prepared is Jewish Hospital for the advent of Medicare? According to David A. Gee, executive director, "The Hospital is as well prepared as any institution in the nation, and better prepared than many."

Mr. Gee described the Hospital Medicare status in three categories: 1) long range anticipation for comprehensive care of the aged and eventual legislation; 2) recent preparations since the law was passed in 1965; 3) areas in which no information has been received from the government.

## Lecture For The Laity

The second Lecture for the Laity during the academic year 1965-1966 was held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, May 15, in the School of Nursing Auditorium.

"How Medical Science Can Help Us as We Grow Older," was the subject of the panel discussion presented to an invited group. Panel members included Carl J. Heifetz, M.D., president of the medical staff; Alex H. Kaplan, M.D., director of the Department of Psychiatry; Edward Massie, M.D., director of the Heart Station; and Franz U. Steinberg, M.D., director of the Department of Long Term Care.

Joseph F. Ruwitch, president of the board of directors, welcomed the group and introduced the panel.

Dr. Steinberg spoke about "Problems of Aging and Rehabilitation for Independent Living;" Dr. Heifetz: "New Surgical Procedures Which Prolong our Life Span;" Dr. Massie: "Prevention and Treatment of Heart Disease in the Older Person;" and Dr. Kaplan; "A Psychiatrist Views Aging."

Dr. Steinberg then moderated the question and answer session for the group.

"In the first category Jewish Hospital anticipated the need for this kind of program as early as 1952," Mr. Gee said.

"In that year, a program of long term care was activated at the Hospital under the direction of Dr. David Littauer, then executive director, and Dr. Franz U. Steinberg presently director of the Department of Long Term Care.

These men worked closely with government agencies and helped influence the national character of patient care services for the elderly.

"In 1953, Jewish Hospital launched one of the nation's pioneering programs of Home Care. Today, this highly successful pilot program has an average case load of 55 patients which will be expanded with increasing need. There are only 70 other Home Care programs in operation in the entire country," he said.

In 1962 the Hospital established a geriatric dental service as part of a program from funds received from a Public Health Service grant. Geriatric dentistry is considered an important facet in comprehensive care of the aged.

Through the Hospital Medical Care Research Center, many studies relating to chronic medicine and home care were prepared as evaluations and guide lines for this type of care. Some of these studies have been adopted by the American Hospital Association as official standards of operation for long term care.

Affiliation with an extended care facility, the Jewish Center for the Aged, was established in 1952, thus giving valuable experience in transfer arrangements and techniques for out-of-hospital services.

### Home Care Program

The Home Care Program is conducted by a physician-directed team of professionals who render complete services to the patient and his family at home. Jewish Hospital has one of seven regional Home Care Training Centers established by the Public Health Service to train professionals throughout the country in the techniques of long term care and community planning. Since the Medicare law was passed in 1965, additional steps have been taken at the Hospital to insure as smooth an operation as possible when the program begins.

A Medicare impact projection study was made by members of

the staff during the past year. Additional beds have been added in the chronic disease division and revisions are being made in the Home Care program to allow for expansion. The Hospital has a working relationship with Hill Haven Nursing Home, and is reviewing other homes for possible affiliation. (The extended care facility portion of the legislation does not go into effect until January 1, 1967.)

The physician-directed utilization committee of the Hospital has been completely reorganized under the requirements of the law. This committee, chaired by Dr. Burton Shatz, is composed of staff physicians who will review Medicare admissions and determine length of stay.

Information concerning Social Security benefits was disseminated to clinic patients, and efforts were directed toward encouraging these persons not automatically eligible to enroll for Medicare.

### Formal Application

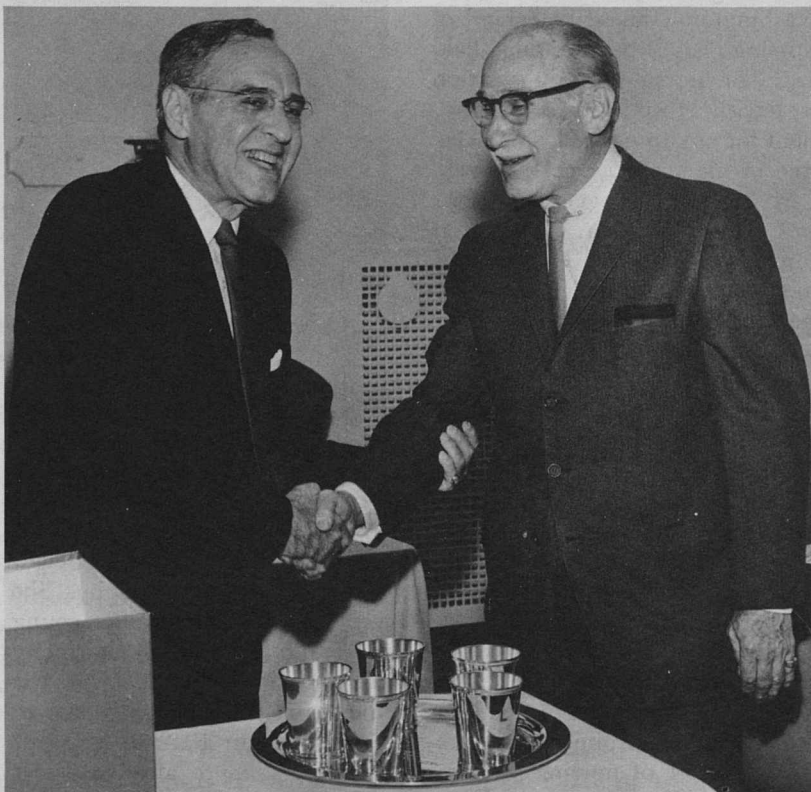
The Hospital has filed a formal application with the government for participation in Medicare. There are still many unsolved answers even with the degrees of preparedness achieved thus far. To date no official Medicare contract has been received from the federal government; no information concerning the formula for reimbursement and the method for separating specialists' fees; no forms for eligibility and reporting have been received.

Without the above information, the Hospital is not able to re-program its computer, a process which takes approximately three months.

"This will be one of our major problems," Mr. Gee said, "since we won't be able to render an intelligent bill on July 1. Our admitting office already has reservations for Medicare patients who desire elective surgery after July 1.

"The anticipated impact of 65 and over patients should level off in a few months. Presently 20% of our patient days of care are for persons age 65 and over. We believe this will increase to 25-28%.

"Medicare will take care of those persons who are not receiving care," Mr. Gee said. "It will restore dignity to many of our senior citizens, and it will have the positive benefit of encouraging more hospitals to develop programs of extended care, including Home Care."



PAUL LOWENSTEIN, M.D., was honored at the Annual Surgical Department Dinner by J. G. Probst, M.D., and members of the Department of Surgery. The dinner meeting marked the climax of the visit for Charles Eckert, M.D., professor and chairman of the Department of Surgery at Albany Medical College, who was the invited speaker of the three-day J. G. Probst Visiting Professorship.



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James O. Hepner, Ph.D., associate director, was appointed assistant professor of Hospital Administration at Washington University School of Medicine for the year 1966-67, effective July 1, 1966.

Mrs. Mabel Howell, administrative resident, has joined the staff of Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children as assistant administrator. She worked at St. Louis State Hospital before serving her residency at Jewish Hospital.

Mrs. Audrey Senturia, research associate for the Departments of Psychiatry and Obstetrics and Gynecology, assumed a new post as research associate for the Central Midwest Research Education Laboratory, after expiration of the grant under which she was working for the Hospital during the past six years.

Robert J. Hickok, administrative coordinator of the division of rehabilitation and physical medicine in the Department of Long Term Care, talked about Medicare and physical therapy at a dinner meeting of the Missouri Association of Licensed Nursing Homes last month.

Miss Dolores Biggins, C.R.N.A., and Miss Barbara Burner, C.R.N.A., attended the mid-south Post Graduate Assembly for Nurse Anesthetists held in Memphis, Tennessee, last month.

Miss Biggins, as program chairman of the Missouri Association of Nurse Anesthetists, attended a national council conference for program planners May 14-15 of the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists. More than 300 nurse anesthetists are members of the Missouri association; Miss Burner is secretary-treasurer of the group.

Mrs. Stanley Cohen, community relations chairman of the Auxiliary, was guest speaker at the 25th anniversary celebration of the St. Elizabeth's Auxiliary in Granite City, Illinois.



LITTLE LORI Elizabeth Ramsey has won the hearts of Hospital personnel. Miss Fay Storck, R.N., and Lori are good friends — that's how Lori received her nurse's outfit!



MRS. JESSIE GILLESPIE of the Laundry Department, explains to members of the Neighborhood Youth Corps about the work of different machines in that area. Mr. John Nathan, (left) is the advisor for the in-school group, and requested the tour of Hospital facilities.

## The Hospital Conducts Three Youth Group Tours

Two Hospital tours were conducted early in April for 25 students from both O'Fallon Technical and Sumner High Schools. Called "Code 13" the tours included visits to 13 key areas of the Hospital. The purpose of the tours was to give the students a

broad knowledge of Hospital operations and career opportunities. The tours were sponsored by the Neighborhood Youth Corps. Mr. John Nathan, is advisor for the in-school group. Mrs. Raya Kovensky, public relations assistant, coordinated the tours.

### Informative Talks

More than 25 students from the Waynesville-Fort Leonard Wood schools "Future Medical Club" were taken on a tour of Jewish Hospital. Members of the Hospital staff who participated in the tours included Max Appel, director of resources and development; Mrs. Florence Ayata, supervisor, Out Patient and Emergency Rooms; Jack Hasson, M.D., director of Pathology and Laboratories; Robert J. Hickok, administrative coordinator of the Division of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation; and Kenneth Marks, supervisor, Department of Radiology.

A third group, 25 young men from the Job Corps in Breckenridge, Kentucky, toured the dietary facilities of the Hospital.

## Field Work For Master's Course

Six registered nurses from the Washington University School of Nursing have been doing field work in nursing administration at Jewish Hospital as a requirement for obtaining a Master's Degree in medical-surgical nursing.

Miss Joyce Brueggeman, assistant dean of the Washington University School of Nursing, requested the special training under the direction of Miss Margaret Loh, director of nursing. "We have been most pleased to have had an opportunity to work with these students," Miss Loh said.

As part of their training, the nurses were given instruction concerning the organization plan at the Hospital and nursing department and the work of the Nursing Service Administration.

Members of the Hospital staff, in addition to Miss Loh, who worked closely with the R.N.'s included: Mrs. Virginia Reisinger, R.N., director of nursing service; Mrs. Ruth Muegge, R.N., in-service coordinator; and Mrs. Nancy Rupprecht, R.N., administrative assistant in medical nursing service.

## Two Employees Recently Retire

Two members of the Jewish Hospital staff retired last month: Mrs. Louise L. Geiger, assistant housekeeper assigned to the Nurses Residence and Harold Ficke, duplicating machine operator.

Mrs. Geiger retired at the age of 80 from her service to Jewish Hospital, but her active nature and interest in life continue in her new home in Tower Grove Manor.

Born in Canton, Mo., in 1885, Mrs. Geiger came to St. Louis as a teenager with her parents and three younger brothers.

Mrs. Geiger's philosophy "Sweep before your own door," means that she does not like gossip. "We have enough to do to take care of our own shortcomings," Mrs. Geiger's approach to life, she says, is not aggressive, but progressive. Mrs. Geiger's interest in art is varied. She often wears an Italian cameo ring which her mother gave to her father during their courtship. When Mrs. Geiger attended the World's Fair in 1904 in St. Louis, she found a vase said to be cloisonne, a multi-colored decoration made of enamels poured into the divided areas in a design outlined with bent wire fillets. This type of work is no longer done.



MRS. LOUISE L. GEIGER  
(Circa 1910)

In her daily work, Mrs. Geiger works with her philosophy. She loves people, especially young ones, and believes in harmony with working members on the same team. Mrs. Geiger came to the Hospital in 1952 as assistant housekeeper, and after a short break in her service, she began working at the Nurses Residence in 1956. Among her varied interests are crafts and a membership in a 50-year Club.



HAROLD FICKE

Harold Ficke's plans for the future include some hunting and fishing in Alaska with his wife Jessie. They are also looking forward to moving to a new house in Florissant, Mo.

Born in Gerald, Mo., Mr. Ficke moved to St. Louis after World War I. During the war he was stationed on Paris Island where he served much of his time in the Marine Corps. Stationed on the island where he had trained from 8-10 weeks, Mr. Ficke's job included coaching on the rifle range.

His memories of the hot sand on Paris Island are still with him, as are the marches through the lagoon. Discipline was strict there: once during an inspection Mr. Ficke was chastised for not having buttoned the button on his pocket. His commanding officer said, "Sew that button on," as he snapped it off. In the spring of 1918, Mr. Ficke was sent to guard duty in Washington, D. C. Mr. Ficke worked at General Electric Company for 12 years before coming to Jewish Hospital as duplicating machine operator in the print shop. Mr. Ficke's job included alignment and positioning the materials; inking the machines, and keeping up with the latest changes in stencil, ditto, collating, drill press, and xerox machines.

In addition to his job in the print shop, Mr. Ficke could be called an instant abstract artist. He abstracted the multilith master from the duplicating machine, turned it over and discovered instant art. The ink from the machine produced a design on the back which is difficult for a layman to describe, but which could hang next to works of established abstract artists.

However, Mr. Ficke did not take his hidden talent seriously. "My main job was to keep all the departments happy," he said.

Harold Ficke will be difficult to duplicate.

## Nurses' Picnic Plans Made

The annual staff nurses' picnic sponsored by the committee on nursing of the Auxiliary has been tentatively set for June 29 (Wednesday) at Montebello Recreation Area. Some of the activities for the afternoon will include swimming and bingo as well as a picnic arranged by the Auxiliary.

Mrs. Morton L. Meyer is chairman of the committee for the picnic.

Reprinted above is one of the many letters sent to the Hospital with congratulations for the 1965 annual report.



## Alumni Honor House Staff

The annual banquet in honor of the house staff at Jewish Hospital will take place on the evening of May 23 at Le Chateau, Samuel E. Schechter, M.D., president of the Jewish Hospital Medical Staff Alumni Association, announced.

Associate or attending and house staffs will combine efforts to produce an innovation in the annual skits. "The First 364 Days are the Hardest", this year's skit, will be performed by the entire intern staff and a famous quartet of Thespians: Doctors Sidney Goldenberg, Irwin Schultz, Melvin M. Schwartz and Herman Shyken.

"The outstanding preparation by all participants guarantees an evening of special entertainment," Dr. Schechter said.

Cocktails begin at 6:30 p.m.; dinner at 7:15 p.m.



**WHO ARE THESE** young doctors? Submit your written entry for the contest to the Department of Public Relations at the Hospital. There will be a drawing for the winner whose name shall be embossed on books valued at \$25 for the Medical Library.



## Dr. Kaplan Heads Psychoanalysts

Alex H. Kaplan, M.D., psychiatrist-in-chief, has been elected president of the recently formed St. Louis Psychoanalytic Society which had its first formal business and scientific meeting. The society has been incorporated as a non-profit organization, and culminates the first phase of a year-long effort to encourage the growth of

the number of qualified psychoanalysts in the St. Louis area.

Hospital staff who are charter members include Hyman H. Fingert, M.D., vice-president; Paul A. Dewald, M.D., treasurer; and doctors E. J. Anthony, William E. Holt, Jule P. Miller, Jr., Conrad Sommer and Eugene E. Trunnell.

## Dr. Karsh Lectures On Air Pollution

For the past few years a member of the visiting medical staff at Jewish Hospital has been making rounds in the St. Louis area as an evangelist in the field of air pollution. Robert S. Karsh, M.D., is a member of the Technical Division of the Committee for Nuclear Information (CNI), and chairman of the Air Pollution Subcommittee.

He has recently appeared before private and public audiences to speak about "the dire emergency that exists in man's environment."



ROBERT S. KARSH, M.D.

"Man is unique in history," he says, "because he alone among all creatures is creating the environment to extinguish his own species, an unlivable atmosphere."

"In St. Louis where housewives marched on city hall in the 30's to make the city safe for the white collar and the windowpane, only the nuisance aspects, the soot and the smoke, were cleaned up. The deadly miasmas remain, taking their insidious toll in health, expense and pleasure."

"The health effects of air pollution are particularly dangerous. Evidence is mounting that colds, bronchitis, emphysema, asthma and lung cancer are all related in part to the quality of the air we breathe. Disability and deaths from respiratory diseases are higher in more polluted areas."

"St. Louis has a major problem with sulfur dioxide, a harmful gas which arises from industrial emissions. This is already 5 to 15 times higher than acceptable levels and will get worse when the Portage Des Sioux electric plant opens and if we permit more sulfuric acid plants to establish in our community," Dr. Karsh said.

"While people with chronic lung and heart disease feel the effects of sulfur dioxide acutely, the housewife only notices it when levels are high enough for the conversion product, sulfuric acid, to dissolve the nylons off her legs. This has happened in South Broadway neighborhoods."

"The automobile is another vexing problem. Controls are to be put on cars in 1968 to reduce carbon monoxide and hydrocarbon emissions. This will result in a relative increase in nitrogen oxides, another poisonous gas, and no one knows what the end result will be."

In criticizing the \$750,000 Interstate Air Pollution study, the CNI subcommittee particularly cited the failure to measure cancer-producing substances in the air and to trace pockets of industrial pollution in the community.

As chairman of the CNI Air Pollution Subcommittee, Dr. Karsh has appeared before the Ethical Forum, the St. Louis chapter of the Air Pollution Control Association, the American Society for Public Administration, KMOX-TV "Eye on St. Louis," and "Frankly Speaking."

Dr. Karsh is available to speak on the air pollution problem before all interested civic groups, and may be contacted by calling the Committee for Nuclear Information, 5144 Delmar, at FO 7-0500.

Dr. Karsh says, "The political, social and economic decisions to be made in controlling our environment must be made by an electorate that understands the issues, and not by special-interest parties."

## Medical Staff Activities

**Arnold S. Block, M.D.**, recently moderated a psychiatric problems seminar held at the David P. Wohl Mental Health Institute. This seminar offers practicing doctors an opportunity to discuss problems encountered in daily practice, the main emphasis being problem-solving through mutual discussion and exchange of information. The seminar was sponsored by the Department of Neurology and Psychiatry at St. Louis University.

**Robert Goldstein, Ph.D.**, director of the Division of Audiology and Speech Pathology, presented a paper, "The Audiologist and Evaluation of CNS Involvements," at the University of Illinois, Department of Speech and Theatre.

**B. Y. Glassberg, M.D.**, attended a meeting of the American Association of Marriage Counselors in Kansas City, Mo., and was a panel member on "The Value of Marriage Manuals." He also participated in the Groves Conference on Marriage and the Family as a panel member on the subject "Medical Sexology."

**Michael Karl, M.D.**, recently attended the Missouri State Medical Association meeting as a member of a panel discussion on "The Use and Abuse of Steroids." At the American College of Surgeons meeting in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Dr. Karl spoke on "The Differential Diagnosis of Jaundice."

**Alex M. Kaplan, M.D.**, director of the Department of Psychiatry, attended several meetings of the American Psychoanalytic Society in Atlantic City. He participated in a panel discussion of "The Psychoanalyst as Consultant to a Social Agency."

Dr. Kaplan also was chairman of the "Ask the Expert" session on "Psychiatry and Social Work" at the American Psychiatric Association meeting in Atlantic City. He was a participant on the panel of "The Role of the Social Worker in Community Mental Health Centers."

**Richard Sisson, M.D.**, attended a "Symposium on Current Surgical Practices," at Walter Reed General Hospital in Washington, D.C. MEND (Medical Education for National Defense) sponsored the meetings to facilitate an interchange of information which has application in a medical student's education.

**Morris Alex, M.D.**, attended a regional conference of state health officers for the regional planning of programs dealing with stroke, cancer and heart disease in Dallas, Texas.

Dr. Alex, president-elect of the St. Louis Heart Association, had an opportunity to discuss regional planning with those affiliated with the heart association from the states of Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma and Texas.

Dr. Alex also spoke on "A Multidisciplinary Approach to Evaluation of Patient Progress and Quality Care," at the School of Public Health, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Dr. Alex is director of the Home Care Program for the City of St. Louis.

**Nathan M. Simon, M.D.**, clinical director of the Department of Adult Psychiatry, and Mrs. Audrey Senturia, research associate for the Departments of Psychiatry and Obstetrics and Gynecology, were invited to present a paper on "Psychiatric Sequelae of Therapeutic Abortion" at the meeting of the American Psychiatric Association in Atlantic City, New Jersey. The work was supported by the Ira and Herbert Simon Research Fund.

**Alvin R. Frank, M.D.**, and **John C. Bradley, MSW**, also delivered a paper, "An Analysis of the Information and Referral Service of the Mental Health Association," to the same group.

**Herbert Silver, M.D.**, attended the 6th Annual Armed Forces Institute of Pathology in Washington, D.C., for a series of conferences on the recent advanced techniques in pathology. More than 350 persons attended the meetings.

**Herbert B. Zimmerman, M.D.**, director of the cardio-pulmonary laboratory, attended the conference of the American College of Chest Physicians in Cleveland, Ohio.

**Marvin Rennard, M.D.**, was elected to active membership in the Central Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, a group of more than 780 members.

**Samuel D. Soule, M.D.**, was appointed full professor of clinical obstetrics and gynecology at Washington University School of Medicine.

**Melvin M. Schwartz, M.D.**, was elected president of the Social Health Association of Greater St. Louis, and was formally installed during the annual meeting of the society held in April. **Norman M. Orgel, M.D.**, past president, was elected chairman of the board of directors.

**Ben H. Senturia, M.D.**, director of the Department of Otolaryngology, and **Bernard C. Adler, M.D.**, recently attended a series of meetings in San Juan, Puerto Rico, including the American Otological Society, Inc., the Triological Society and the American Laryngological Association. Dr. Senturia is editor-librarian of the American Otological Society.

**Jan T. Goff, M.D.**, has been appointed director of the in-patient service for the Department of Psychiatry. His responsibilities will also include the responsibility for training of residents in psychiatry.

**Stanford Wessler, M.D.**, physician-in-chief, **Lamont Gaston, M.D.**, and **Ee Thye Yin**, associate in medicine, from the Department of Medicine, and **Stanley Lang, Ph.D.**, Department of Surgery, attended the 50th Annual Meeting of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Dr. Wessler has been informed of the renewal of \$58,642 for his grant on research in "The Role of Lipids and Stasis in Venous Thrombosis." Dr. Wessler is currently a member of the Heart Training Grant Committee of the National Heart Institute and a member of the Medical Advisory Board, Council on Circulation of the American Heart Association.

**Sol Londe, M.D.**, had an article published in the February issue of *Clinical Pediatrics* on "Blood Pressure in Children as Determined under Office Conditions." The article will also be carried in abstract in *Modern Medicine*.

**Melvin Muroff, Ph.D.**, attended a workshop on "The Neglected Child" held in Honolulu, Hawaii; and a workshop on "The Adolescent and Community Problems" held in San Francisco, California. The title of his speech during a two-day institute in Dayton, Ohio, was "Group Dynamics and Group Therapy with Adolescents."

Doctors **Alan Londe, J. G. Probst** and **Kenneth D. Serkes** attended a four-day meeting of the 23rd annual Central Surgical Association in Chicago, Illinois.

A session on pediatric surgery at the Children's Memorial Hospital and observation of surgery in the operating rooms of the University of Chicago Hospitals were part of the program. Papers on new aspects in the field of surgery were presented.

**Calvin H. Weiss, D.D.S.**, director of the Department of Dentistry, attended the Illinois State Dental Association two-day workshop concerning the "Future of Dentistry in Dental Service Organization." Dr. Weiss spoke to the group composed of more than 100 dentists from the state of Illinois.

**J. G. Probst, M.D.**, as vice-chairman for the Missouri State Cancer Commission, attended the opening at the Ellis Fischel State Cancer Research Center in Columbia, Missouri, for a unit sponsored by the National Cancer Institute. More than \$333,000 will be granted for the operation of research facilities during 1966-67.



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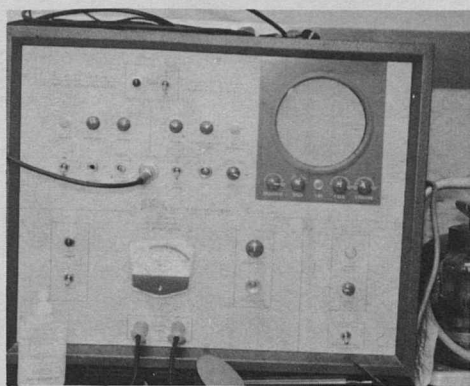
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# Service Awards Honor 100

The annual service awards tea for employees was held at the Hospital on May 11, as part of the observance of National Hospital Week. There were 100 employees who were honored for their years of service to the Hospital. The program was held from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Moses Shoenberg Memorial School of Nursing Gymnasium.

During the first part of the program 35 mm slides of each of the winners "on-the-job" were projected.

Irwin Albrecht, associate director and controller, served as master-of-ceremonies for the event.

Awards included gold pins for the women who were employed 5 years; tie tacks for the men; Revere bowls for women who served 10 years, silver key chains for the men; and for 15 years of employment or more the employee was able to choose a gift from watches, radios or cameras.

Joseph F. Ruwitch, president of the Board of Directors, congratulated the employees for their loyal years of service. Mr.

Ruwitch also presented David A. Gee, executive director, with his gift for 15 years of service to the Hospital. Mr. Gee had requested six lithographs given to the Hospital by Mr. and Mrs. Kirby B. Westheimer be framed and hung in the employee's cafeteria. Employees who retired during the past year were among those honored, and each received a certificate of appreciation. Each woman was honored with an orchid; and the men received boutonnières. Coffee, tea and petits fours were served in the lounge following the program by Miss Virginia Doumouras, Department of Surgery; Miss Mary McKeever, Social Work; Mrs. Ida Robinson, Housekeeping; Mrs. Ernestine Scott, Dietary; and Miss Lavera K. Ryder, R.N., director of Nursing Education.

The planning committee for the annual event included: Mrs. Barbara Janes, chairman, director of public relations; Boris Axelrod, Director of Food Services; Mrs. Florence Ayata, supervisor, Aaron

Waldheim Clinic; William Chiles, director of personnel; Miss Eloise DeLap, R.N.; Mrs. Bella Fendelman, supervisor, Accounts Payable; Miss Marguerite Humes, Patient Accounts; Mrs. Raya Kovensky, Public Relations; Mrs. Virginia Reisinger, R.N., director of Nursing Service; Mrs. Thelma Triplett, Housekeeping.

Listed below are The Jewish Hospital of Saint Louis 1966 Service Award Winners:

## Five Years

Adult Psychiatry  
James Brantley  
Audiology  
David S. Levine  
Central Supply  
Mrs. Clara Johnson  
Clinical Laboratories  
Leonard F. Petrosky  
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Miss Virginia Natho.  
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Mrs. Rowena Williams  
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Mrs. Katherine Lyon  
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Miss Loretta Seals  
Surgery  
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Mrs. Mildred Jacobs

## Ten Years

Admitting  
Mrs. Virginia C. Kreutztrager  
Anesthesiology  
Miss Dolores E. Biggins  
Central Supply  
Mrs. Vernice Dismukes  
Clinical Laboratories  
Mrs. Bozena Kallus  
Heart Station  
Dr. Sidney Jick  
Housekeeping  
Mrs. Lucy Daugherty  
Mrs. Mandy Ingram  
Mrs. Vera Neal  
Mrs. Esther L. Polk  
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Laundry  
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Nursing Education  
Mrs. Lillian Dennis  
Mrs. Rita Rutledge  
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Purchasing  
Robert Straub  
Medical Records  
Mrs. Betty Briggs  
Out-Patient Clinic  
Mrs. Dorothy Howard  
Plant Operations & Maintenance  
Harold Thompson  
John Younger

## Fifteen Years

Child Psychiatry  
Miss Lorraine Brown  
Executive Offices  
David A. Gee  
Housekeeping  
Mrs. Odie Bates  
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Pharmacy  
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Dietary  
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## Auxiliary Holds Spring Meeting

MISS SELMA DIAMOND, New York television personality and writer (center) was the featured speaker at the Auxiliary Annual Spring Meeting held at Temple Israel. Mrs. Edwin G. Shifrin, president, chaired the business meeting during which time a record breaking year of fund raising was announced. Mrs. Donald Quicksilver, program chairman, is shown pinning an orchid on Miss Diamond before her speech to the group.

## Lester Lanin's Orchestra To Play for 1966 Clover Ball

Lester Lanin and his orchestra will enliven the activities at the Clover Ball to be held January 21, 1967, in the Khorassan Room of the Chase-Park Plaza, as announced by Mrs. Harry W. Loeb, general chairman.

"Dance music is my business," Mr. Lanin said, "I play for people's feet."

Continuous music is a Lanin trademark; the band plays from 9 p.m. through the 1 a.m. "Good-night Ladies" song.

"The band does not feature vocalists, and knows at least 400 songs without using music, and can improvise another 400," Lanin says.

During the cocktail hour, Russ David Production's trio of strol-



ling musicians and a four-piece combo, featuring Art Schiel, will be part of the evening entertainment. Mr. Robert Wolfson is chairman of the beverage committee.

Tickets will be \$50 per person; \$250 a couple for patrons.

## Special Gifts

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch Foundation has pledged \$3,000 to help the Hospital meet the cost of expanded patient care, medical education and research programs.

Joseph Pulitzer, Jr. is president of the organization.

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N. H. Rand, vice-chairman and treasurer of International Shoe Co., has pledged \$2,500 as an unrestricted endowment gift to the Hospital.

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The Sam S. Simon Blood Research Fund has been established by Mrs. Violette Simon in memory of her husband. Mrs. Simon established the fund in recognition of the need for funds in the blood research program.

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More than 75 books were contributed to the Patients' Library by Max I. Dimont, author of *Jews, God and History*. Subject matter ranged from religion to art, including fiction as well as non-fiction. Mr. Dimont's book was recently presented to the White House Permanent Library and is among those he donated to the care of Mrs. Martha A. Middleton, patients' librarian.



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## Home Care Training Center Conducts Regional Institutes

"There is no single pattern to follow in the development, by communities, of Home Health Services to meet the needs of the aged, according to Dr. Pauline Stitt, Chief, Home Care Section, Division of Medical Care Administration of the USPHS. Dr. Stitt participated in an Extended Care Institute conducted by The Jewish Hospital of St. Louis Training Center for Home Care, at the University of Oklahoma in Norman in March.

The greatest service local communities can do for the nation as a whole would be to pioneer, under the new legislation, different approaches to delivering health care to our people, the group was told by the Training Center Faculty. Local populations will need to carefully assess the strengths they already have in hospitals, health agencies and personnel and to consolidate these strengths for the greater good of the whole community.

The St. Louis faculty included Dr. Franz U. Steinberg, director, Department of Long Term Care;

Dr. Aaron Birenbaum, medical director of the Home Care Division; Miss Mary McKeever, director of social work at the Hospital; Mrs. Marcella Cohen, executive director, St. Louis Visiting Nurse Association; Harry Rosen, executive director, Gerontological Society; Robert Hickok, physical therapist and coordinator of Rehabilitation, Jewish Hospital; and Elmer Johnson, assistant director, St. Louis Hospital Planning Commission.

A Home Health Services Institute was held from May 4-6 at the Hospital in the MAC Room.

"The Needs of the Chronically Ill and Aged," and "Planning Patient Care" were two of the topics for discussion. In addition to those members of the staff who attended the Oklahoma meeting, the following persons spoke at the Hospital Institute: Morris Alex, M.D.; Aaron Birenbaum, M.D.; Miss Emily J. Getz, R.N.; Rodney M. Coe, Ph.D.; Mrs. Sandra Howell, M.P.H.; James O. Hepner, Ph.D.; and Burton Shatz, M.D.



FIVE EMPLOYEES recently were awarded for their suggestions for the Hospital. Pictured around a model of the Hospital are (left to right) Mrs. Rubie Lee Hutson, housekeeping; Mrs. Marcia Kohler, clinical laboratories; Jim Lind, clinical laboratories; Mrs. Revivan Thompson, emergency room; and Mrs. Matilda Goldberg, patient accounts.



## Mothers At Jewish Hospital

The most common possession among people of the world is a mother. Mothers are loved throughout the year, but on one Sunday each May a special day has been named to honor them.

Julia Ward Howe made the first suggestion recorded in the United States for Mother's Day to be set aside on June 2, 1872, and dedicated to peace.

In 1907, Miss Anna Jarvis, Grafton, West Virginia, began a campaign for nationwide observance. National recognition came on May 8, 1914, when President Woodrow Wilson signed a joint resolution recommending that Mother's Day be observed "as a public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country." President William McKinley began the custom of wearing a carnation on Mother's Day.

Today more than 1½ million American women work in the fields of health. Pictured here are four working mothers at Jewish Hospital, one grandmother and a mother-to-be. They are six of the many conscientious employees who were honored on Mother's Day.



As secretary to the personnel director **MRS. LEROY (BETTY) JASPER** has many responsibilities: she prepares house staff information for and about residents and interns, including change of status, American Medical Association reports, surveys for other institutions, and preparation of budget. Mrs. Jasper loves her job because she loves people. She says there is really no routine to her work, and there is always some new project going on in the Personnel Department. The Jaspers are the proud parents of Randal Lee, age 7.



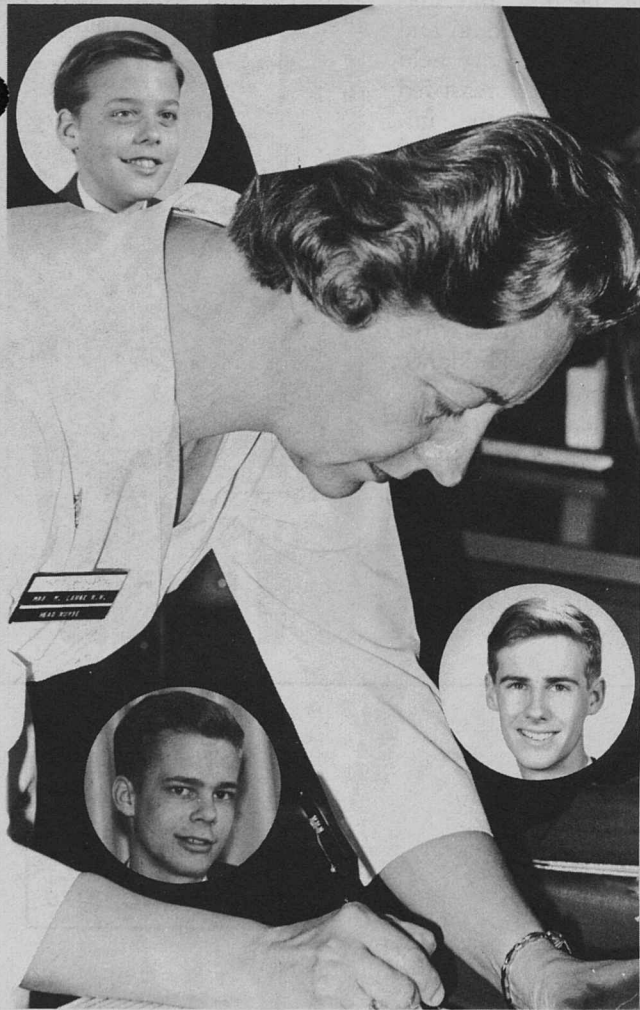
**MRS. OSCAR (ERNESTINE) SCOTT** has been working at Jewish Hospital for almost 17 years now, and is the mother of four children. Presently she is head supervisor in the Dietary Department. Part of her work is to insure in-service training in the Dietary Department. She assigns personnel to the daily meetings and conferences for food preparation and supervision. Mrs. Scott sees many of the patients, often noting their ideas to continue the excellent food service. Those under her direction include assistant supervisors, kitchen helpers and tray supervisors. Her four children are Deborah, 13; Gregory, 8; Kevin, 5; and Michael, 11 months.



**BLANCA M. DE PEREZ, M.D.**, has been associated with Jewish Hospital since coming here as a resident in pathology in 1961. As assistant pathologist, she finds her job in surgical pathology stimulating, and says that it works well with married life. Her husband, Dr. Carlos De Perez is a radiotherapist, and they have two children: Carlos Santiago, 2 years old and Bernard, 5 months. They are from Colombia, South America.



**MRS. CARL W. (MARY) BEWIG** is a member of the Department of Social Work. As a case worker, Mrs. Bewig aids in determining the psycho-social aspects of the effect of an illness, and helps prepare the patient for a new way of life. Many of her patients are children from the division of audiology. She plans to retire for a short time after the baby is born. He is due early in June.

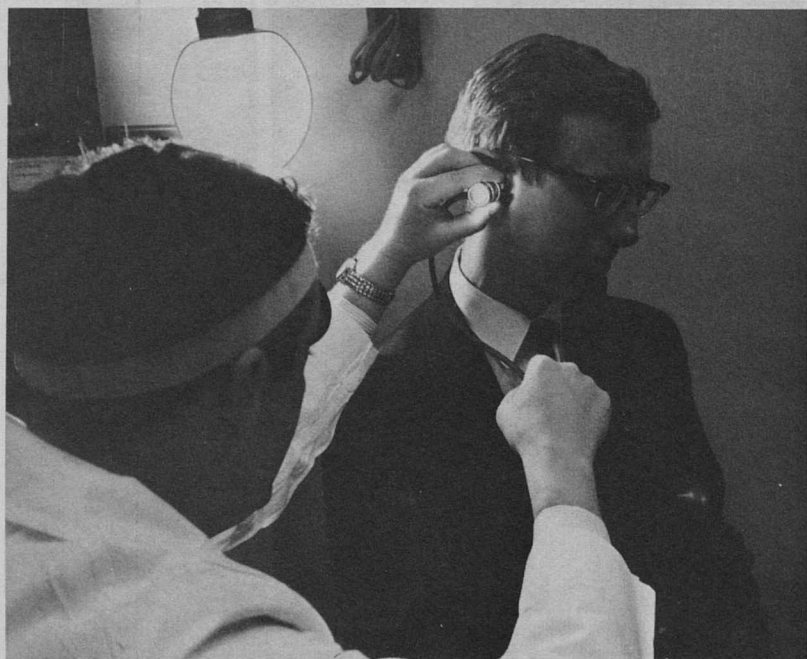


**MRS. H. J. (MILDRED) LANGE, R. N.** is head nurse on post partum, maternity floor, at the Hospital. Mrs. Lange has worked part time since her graduation from the Jewish Hospital School of Nursing in 1947, and full time for the past 2½ years. Her three boys are William, 17; Stephan, 15; and Michael, 12. Through the assistance of a scholarship from the School of Nursing, Mrs. Lange plans to complete her evening school work at Washington University with a Bachelor of Science Degree this spring.

**MRS. SOL (BELLA) FENDELMAN** became a grandmother when her daughter Deborah (Mrs. Barry Greenstein) gave birth to Ronald Gregg last September 9. The Fendelmans also have a son Stephan who is presently a graduate student at Missouri University. Mrs. Fendelman is supervisor for Accounts Payable, and her position includes paying all vendor invoices, payroll transactions and general supervisory duties in general accounting.







GEORGE DANIEL SMITH, 22, receives a check up in the ear, nose and throat clinic at the Hospital just a few months after a stapedectomy was performed on his right ear. Hearing in his right ear was found to be normal.

## Stapedectomy Gives Hearing to Youth

George Daniel Smith was 22 years old before he heard his own voice without the aid of a mechanical device.

George was born in a small town in Missouri and spent the early part of his life in schools for the deaf after trying to get along with his hearing loss in the public school near his home. "The teachers didn't have enough time for me in the public school," he said, "so then I went to the Missouri School for the Deaf in Fulton."

George completed the 9th grade at the Missouri School for the Deaf when he was 18-years-old, and got a job in Columbia, Mo., as a baker. "My employer had hired a friend of mine from school, and thought that deaf people were good workers, so he hired me also."

When one of George's brothers

was sent to Viet Nam with the Navy, George signed up so that he could join him. His application was turned down because of his hearing loss, and George decided to see if something could be done so that he could enter the Navy.

George saw two doctors in Columbia. From there he was sent to the State Department of Education, section of vocational rehabilitation. It was recommended that he come to the Department of Otolaryngology at Jewish Hospital for examination and treatment of a severe hearing loss.

George was first seen in May, 1965, and was given an ear, nose, and throat examination, as well as a number of hearing tests. He was found to have a conductive hearing loss, and was told that an exploratory operation was necessary. During that operation, a congenital abnormality of the stapes bone was found. With the aid of a special coaxially illuminated binocular microscope, the abnormal bone was removed and using some fat tissue from the ear lobe and stainless steel wire, the doctors prepared an artificial stapes bone and inserted it into the defect. In this manner, a link was formed between the incus and the malleus which transmitted the sound into the inner ear.

How did George feel after his operation? "At first I thought it didn't work," he said, "because I couldn't hear through all of the cotton and bandages." But as soon as the cotton was removed the next day, George did hear the telephone ring down the hall from the ear, nose and throat clinic. "Then everything sounded noisy, and I couldn't turn off my hearing aid because I didn't have one on."

George's operation was a success, and not a small one: testing after the operation gave evidence that his hearing was normal in his right ear for the first time in his life. He began to talk more, and people could understand him easily. Most of all, he is happy that he can hear the sound of the train whistle near his home, and his family's voices.



Stapes Bone next to dime.

## Hospital Week Focus: Medicare

"You and Medicare" was the topic of a program for St. Louis area residents age 65 and over which was sponsored by the Hospital on May 12 as part of the observance of National Hospital Week. The theme for National Hospital Week this year was "Alliance for Health," focusing on Medicare.

The Medicare information program was held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Moses Shoenberg Memorial School of Nursing Auditorium.

David A. Gee, executive director, welcomed the group. A film "The Critical Decades" was introduced by Miss Mary McKeever, director of Social Work at the Hospital. Following the film presentation, Dr. Aaron Birenbaum, director of Home Care moderated a question and answer session for the panel of professionals.

Members of the panel included Joseph Anderson, director of Social Security for St. Louis; Mrs. Patricia Bassett, Gerontological Society; James O. Hepner, Ph.D.; associate director of Jewish Hospital and Miss McKeever.

Refreshments were served in the lounge after the program.

## Maternity Nursing: A Special Role

As obstetrical supervisor for Jewish Hospital, Miss Marie Kuppinger, R.N., works with three distinct areas; the labor and delivery suite, the nurseries and the post partum hall. Each area has its own staff, but the principles of family-centered maternity nursing unite the personnel in their care of the mother and baby during their stay in the Hospital.



Miss Marie Kuppinger, R. N.

"Nothing is as routine as it might appear to be," Miss Kuppinger said as she talked about the duties of the nurses on the maternal infant service. "Every baby born alive and healthy is a special kind of miracle."

On the first Saturday of each month, Miss Kuppinger takes expectant couples on a tour of those hospital areas of special interest to them. They have an opportunity to visit the fourth floor where they see the labor, delivery and recovery rooms not in use. They inspect the father's waiting room and view the baby nurseries. Following this tour is an opportunity to ask questions on an informal basis.

### Good Communication

When the expectant mother comes in as a patient at term, she is admitted to the delivery suite, and her husband is directed to the father's waiting room nearby. The nursery and post partum staffs answer his questions, and try to make him feel at home. Here a waiting husband has the security of communication with the labor room, companionship with other expectant fathers and comfortable facilities. As soon as it is possible, he is reunited with

his wife in the labor suite where he is allowed to remain before delivery as long as possible. Then he is ushered back to the waiting room. Telephone and television make his time spent there go by rapidly.

When the doctor arrives in the waiting room with the news concerning the child, the father is allowed to briefly visit in the recovery room. Then he waits for his wife to be brought to the post partum hall where he can stay with her for a longer time. During this time he can go to the nursery window for his first sight of the baby.

If the couple chooses to have the baby "room in," both the mother and the father are able to enjoy caring for their baby. The mother has the baby in the room with her for the entire day if she chooses. The baby is fed when hungry, and cuddled often between feedings. At visiting time, the father puts on a cap, mask and gown, and gives his baby extra attention.

### Participation Encouraged

During her stay on the post partum floor, the mother is encouraged to participate in classes and conferences which are provided for her. Each week, "We take the Baby Home," a technicolor motion picture is shown under the supervision of the staff on the floor. Afterwards there is open discussion among the mothers concerning problems and solutions.

There are classes to demonstrate bathing, feeding and diapering techniques. Individual and small group conferences are held with the mothers of breast-fed babies to talk about the importance of an adequate diet and enough rest, and to insure a successful breast feeding experience. Particular attention and time are given to those who are primiparas (mothers who have given birth to their first child) to give extra doses of self-confidence. Guidance by nursing personnel is given to any one who appears to need special help, and every effort is made to assure each mother of her uniquely important role with the baby.

During the day and evening, the babies are carried to their mothers every four hours for feed-

ing. At night they are fed in the nursery, with the exception of the breast fed babies. Seeking professional advice is encouraged in addition to the mother using her own good judgment.

### Nursing Differs

Nursing differs on this floor in several ways: the intense awareness of the family-centered nursing care; the responsibility of all nursing personnel to be checked by a physician for conditions as simple as a slight cold or an infected hangnail; and the careful watch over the patients for any complications.

In an effort to protect the family group from the possibilities of infection, traffic on the division is limited. Just fathers and grandparents of the baby are welcome to see the mother and baby during visiting hours.

The maternity division is staffed with 19 registered nurses, 15 licensed practical nurses and 25 nursing aids. From 12 to 15 students rotate through the division every 12 weeks. All of these persons are exposed formally and informally to the concepts of family-centered maternity nursing.

### 200 Babies Per Month

Last year there were 2,424 babies born at Jewish Hospital, averaging 200 babies per month. (Six of them came on Mother's Day, 1965.) To the division, this meant not only the care of 200 babies plus 200 mothers a month, but a welcome to 200 new family groups for special care. Their trip home included a new confidence, security and satisfaction after their stay at the Hospital.



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